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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

Containing the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtick.

From Friday, November 23, to Friday, November 30, 1739.

Concluſion of the Life of Dr. BOERHAAVE.

BUT his Knowledge, however uncommon, holds, in his Character, but the ſecond Place; his Virtue was yet much more uncommon than his Learning. He was an admirable Example of Temperance, Fortitude, Humility, and Devotion. His Piety, and a religious Senſe of his Dependance on God, was the Baſis of all his Virtues, and the Principle of his whole Conduct. He was too ſenſible of his Weakneſs to aſcribe any thing to himſelf, or to conceive that he could ſubdue Paſſion, or withſtand Temptation by his own natural Power; he attributed every good Thought, and every laudable Action to the Father of Goodneſs. Being once asked by a Friend, who had often admired his Patience under great Provocations, Whether he knew what it was to be angry, and by what Means he had ſo entirely ſuppreſſed that impetuous and ungovernable Paſſion? He anſwer'd, with the utmoſt Frankneſs and Sincerity, That he was naturally quick of Reſentment, but that he had, by daily Prayer and Meditation, at length attained to this Maſtery over himſelf.

Aſſoon as he aroſe in the Morning, it was, thro'out his whole Life, his daily Practice to retire for an Hour to private Prayer and Meditation; this he often told his Friends, gave him Spirit and Vigour in the Buſineſs of the Day, and this he therefore commended as the beſt Rule of Life; for nothing, he knew, could ſupport the Soul in all Diſtreſſes, but a Confidence in the Supreme Being; nor can a ſteady and rational Magnanimity flow from any other Source than a Conſciouſneſs of the divine Favour.

He aſſerted on all Occaſions the divine Authority, and ſacred Efficacy of the Holy Scriptures, and maintained that they alone taught the Way of Salvation, and that they only could give Peace of Mind. The Excellency of the Chriſtian Religion was the frequent Subject of his Converſation. A ſtrict Obedience to the Doctrine, and a diligent Imitation of the Example of our bleſſed Saviour, he often declared to be the Foundation of true Tranquility. He recommended to his Friends a careful Obſervation of the Precept of *Moſes* concerning the Love of God and Man. He worſhipped God as he is in himſelf, without attempting to enquire into his Nature. He deſired only to think of God, what God knows of himſelf. There he ſtopped, leſt by indulging his own Ideas, he ſhould form a Deity from his own Imagination, and ſin by falling down before him. To the Will of God he paid an abſolute Submiſſion, without endeavouring to diſcover the Reaſon of his Determinations; and this he accounted the firſt and moſt inviolable Duty of a Chriſtian. When he heard of a Criminal condemned to die, he uſed to think, Who can tell whether this Man is not better than I? Or if I am better, it is not to be aſcribed to my ſelf, but to the Goodneſs of God.

Such were the Sentiments of *Boerhaave*, whoſe Words we have added in the *Note*. * So far was this Man from being made impious by Philoſophy, or vain by Knowledge, or by Virtue, that he aſcribed all his Abilities to the Bounty, and all his Goodneſs to the Grace of God. May his Example extend its Influence to his Admirers and Followers! May thoſe who ſtudy his Writings, imitate his Life, and thoſe who endeavour after his Knowledge, aſpire likewiſe to his Piety.

He married *September* 17, 1710, *Mary Drolenveaux*, the only Daughter of a Burgo maſter of *Leyden*, by whom he had *Joanna Maria*, who ſurvives her Father, and 3 other Children, who died in their Infancy.

The Works of this great Writer are ſo generally known, and ſo highly eſteemed, that though it may not be improper to enumerate them in the Order of Time in which they were publiſhed, it is wholly unneceſſary to give any other Account of them.

He publiſhed in 1707, *Inſtitutiones Medicæ*, to which he added, in 1708, *Aphoriſmi de cognoſcendis & curandis morbis.*

1710, *Index Stirpium in Horto Academico.*

1719, *De Materia Medica, & Remediorum formulis Liber*; and in 1727, a ſecond Edition.

1720, *Alter Index Stirpium*, &c. adorned with Plates, and containing twice the Number of Plants as the former.

1722, *Epiſtola ad Cl. Ruiſchium, qua ſententiam Malpighianam de glandulis defendit.*

1724, *Atrocis nec prius deſcripti Morbi Hiſtoria illuſtriſſimi Baronis Waſſenariæ.*

1725, *Opera Anatomica & Chirurgica Andreæ Veſalii*, with the Life of *Veſalius.*

1728, *Altera atrocis rariſſimique Morbi Marchionis de Sancto Albaro Hiſtoria.*

Auctores de lue Aphrodiſiaca, cum tractatu præfixo.

1731. *Aretæi Cappadocis, nova Editio.*

1732, *Elementa Chemiæ.*

1734, *Obſervata de Argento vivo, ad Reg. Soc. & Acad. Scient.*

Theſe are the Writings of the great *Boerhaave*, which have made all Encomiums uſeleſs and vain, ſince no Man can attentively peruſe them, without admiring the Abilities, and reverencing the Virtue of the Author.

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* *Doctrinam ſacris Literis Hebraice & Græce traditam, ſolam animæ ſalutarem & agnovit & ſerſit. Omni opportunitate profitebatur diſciplinam, quam Jeſus Chriſtus ore & vita expreſſit, unice tranquilitatem dare menti. Semperque dixit Amicis, pacem animi haud reperiundam niſi in magno Moſis præcepto de ſincero Amore Dei & hominis bene obſervato. Neque extra Sacra monumenta uſpiam inveniri, quod mentem ſerenet. Deum pius adoravit, qui eſt. Intelligere de Deo unice volebat id, quod Deus de ſe intelligit. Eo contentus ultra nihil requiſivit, ne Idoiolatria erraret. In voluntate Dei ſic requieſcebat, ut illius nullam omnino rationem indagandam putaret. Hanc unice ſuprcmam omnium legem eſſe contendebat, deliberata conſtantia perfectiſſime colendam. De aliis & ſeipſo ſentiebat: Ut quoties criminis reos ad pœnas letales damnatos audiret, ſemper cogitaret, ſæpe diceret; "Quis dixerit "an non me ſint meliores? Utique, ſi ipſe melior, id "non mihi auctori tribuendum eſſe palam ajo, confiteor; "ſed ita largienti Deo."*

From

From the GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE, *for* April, 1739.

There is lately publiſhed at Paris, *and reprinted at the* Hague, in Eleven ſmall 8vo Volumes,

Cauſes celebres & intereſſantes, &c.

Remarkable and moſt Affecting TRYALS, decided by the Parliaments of *France*, &c.

Collected by M. GAYOT de PITAVAL, Advocate in the Parliament of *Paris*.

THIS Collection, tho' compiled with the ſtricteſt Regard to Matter of Fact, is fill'd with ſuch wonderful Relations, and aſtoniſhing Events, as the wildeſt Imaginations could ſcarcely have invented; ſo that the Reader feels, in the Peruſal, all the Surprize which is excited by the *Marvellous*, and all the Satisfaction which ariſes from *Truth*. We give the following contracted Narrative, to ſhew the Nature of this Work, of which is intended in a ſhort Time to be publiſhed a compleat Tranſlation, in ſix or ſeven Volumes.

The Caſe of MARTIN GUERRE.

MARTIN GUERRE, born in *Biſcay*, was in his Eleventh Year married, *January*, 1539, to *Bertrande de Rols* of *Artigues*, in the Diocese of *Rieux*; a Damſel as young as himſelf, and equally diſtinguiſhed for Beauty and good Senſe. This Couple lived together in reſpect to Fortune, comfortably enough, tho' for the firſt *eight* or *nine* Years, in an uneaſy Way; for notwithſtanding the Husband had the ſtrongeſt Deſire imaginable to *enjoy* his lovely Spouſe, yet in all that Time he could not. He imagined therefore that he was *bewitched*, and that his Impotency was the Effect of ſome Charm; his *Wife* too believed that this was really the Caſe, and lived with him very affectionately, notwithſtanding the Suggeſtions of her Friends, that ſhe might lawfully leave him; ſhe conſtantly anſwer'd, that as her *Love was not ſenſual*, ſhe would not forſake her Husband.

The poor Girl, however, neglected not any Means which the Intelligent adviſed her to, for diſſolving the Charm. (She had four Maſſes ſaid, and eat ſome Hoſts, and conſecrated Cakes.) At length *Martin*'s Wiſhes and hers had their Effect, for the Cauſe ceaſing, which might be his tender Age, an Ability of Conſummation followed in his *twentieth* Year; ſo that in the *tenth* Year after their Marriage, ſhe brought him a Son, named *Sanxi*. Not long after, *Martin* having defrauded his Father of a Quantity of Corn, thought fit to withdraw to avoid his Reſentment. At firſt, in all Probability, he did not intend to abſent himſelf long, but being either charmed with the Liberty he enjoy'd, or having conceived a Diſlike of his Wife, which neither Beauty nor Prudence can always prevent, he for above *eight* Years together forbore giving the leaſt Notice to her or his Family where he was. This might well have exaſperated a young Woman in *Bertrande*'s Circumſtances: But ſo unexceptionable was her Carriage, that ſhe never did any thing which deſerved Blame, nor provoked the Tongues even of thoſe who are ready to cenſure without Reaſon.

At the end of *eight* Years ſhe was congratulated by her Husband's 4 Siſters, his Uncle, and her own Relations, on his Return; ſhe, who had ſigh'd deeply for his Abſence, was extremely joyful, and in the Space of *three* Years had *two* Children by this Renewal of the Marriage Rites; one of which died aſſoon as it was born. During this Space ſhe and her new reſtored Husband lived with great Tranquility at *Artigues*, where he tranſacted ſeveral Affairs, ſold Eſtates there, and in *Biſcay*, and ſigned the Contracts in due Form. But after ſome Time, all of a ſudden *Bertrande* cauſed him to be apprehended, and preſented a *Bill* of *Complaint* againſt him before the Criminal *Judge* of *Rieux*; praying in the Cloſe thereof, 'That he might be condemned to make Satisfaction to 'the King for the Breach of his Laws, to demand Par-'don of God, the King, and her, in his Shirt, with a 'lighted Torch in his Hand; declaring, that he had 'falſly, raſhly, and traiterouſly impoſed upon her, in 'aſſuming the Name, and paſſing himſelf upon her for '*Martin Guerre*; and that he ſhould be further adjudg-'ed to pay her two thouſand Livres for Coſts and Da-'mages.'

This Proſecution occaſioned various Conjectures: Many were of Opinion, that it aroſe from ſome Diſlike the Woman had taken to the Man; or that it was a Piece of Revenge, on account of a Quarrel between them; others conſidering the good Character which ſhe had hitherto borne, and that ſhe was naturally of a mild complying Temper, imagined that ſhe was at firſt eaſily prevailed on to believe this Man her Husband, and, again, as eaſily perſwaded to give Credit to the Suggeſtion of *Peter Guerre*, her Husband's Uncle, who, with ſome Perſons in the Town, pretended to have diſcover'd him to be an *Impoſtor*, and perſwaded her to apply to the Magiſtrate. They concluded thus, becauſe it is no uncommon Thing for Perſons of an indolent Diſpoſition to act like mere Machines, as they are influenced by others.

On the other Hand, the *Man* exclaimed againſt the wicked Conſpiracy which his Relations and his Wife had formed againſt him. He pleaded in his Defence before the Judge of *Rieux*, that *Peter Guerre* his Uncle had contrived this Plot, merely with a View to poſſeſs himſelf of his Effects, which were to the Value of 8000 Livres; that he had drawn in his Wife, thro' the Weakneſs of her Underſtanding, to be a Party in this black Affair, and that a more execrable Villainy was never heard of. He related the Reaſons which induced him to leave his Habitation, and his Adventures from the Time that he quitted it; he ſaid, that he ſerved the King in his Wars between *ſeven* and *eight* Years, that afterwards he liſted himſelf in the Troops of the King of *Spain*; but that moſt earneſtly deſiring to return to his dear Wife and Family, he quitted that Service in a few Months, and made the beſt of his Way to *Artigues*; that on his Arrival, he had the Satisfaction of being received, notwithſtanding the Alteration which Time, and the cutting of his Hair, might have made, with the utmoſt Joy, by all his Relations and Acquaintance, not excepting this very *Peter Guerre*, who had ſtirred up the preſent Proſecution. That this Man having frequently differed with him ſince his coming home, their Quarrels ſometimes had produced Blows, and that once he would have killed him with a Bar of Iron, had not his Wife interpoſed. Theſe Particulars he digeſted into his *Anſwer* to the *Bill* of *Complaint*, preferr'd by *Bertrande de Rols*, praying, in the Cloſe thereof, 'That his Wife 'might be confronted with him, becauſe he could not 'poſſibly believe that ſhe was yet ſo wicked a Woman, 'as abſolutely to deny the Truth. That his Calumnia-'tors might, according to the Laws of Equity, be con-'demned to ſuffer thoſe Puniſhments they would have 'inflicted upon him; that *Bertrande de Rols* ſhould 'be taken out of the Power of his Enemies, and be hin-'dered from diſſipating his Effects; in fine, that he 'ſhould be declared Innocent of the Crimes alledged a-'gainſt him, and the Proſecution to be diſmiſſed, with 'Coſts.'

He ſubmitted to a long Examination before the *Criminal Judge*, who interrogated him as to Matters which happened in *Biſcay*, the Place of *Martin Guerre*'s Birth, his Father, his Mother, Brothers, Siſters, and other Relations, as to the Year, the Month, and the Day of his (*Martin Guerre*'s) Marriage, his Father-in Law, Mother-in-Law, the Perſons who were preſent at the Nuptials, thoſe who dined with them, their different Dreſſes, the Prieſt who performed the Ceremony, all the little Circumſtances that happened that Day, and the next, even to naming the People who put them to Bed. His Anſwers were clear and diſtinct to each of theſe Points; and as if he had not been ſatisfied with performing what the Judge required of him, he ſpoke of his own accord of his Son *Sanxi*, of the Day he was born, of his own Departure, of the Perſons he met with on the Road, of the Towns he had paſſed thro' in *France* and *Spain*, of the

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Perſons he had ſeen in both Kingdoms; and that nothing might be wanting to confirm his Innocence, he named many Perſons who were able to teſtify the Truth of what he had delared.

The *Court* ordered *Bertrande de Rols*, and ſeveral other Perſons, whom the Accuſed had cited, to anſwer upon *Interrogatories*; which they did. *Bertrande* anſwered in a Manner that agreed exactly with all that the *Accuſed* had advanced, except that ſhe related the *Story* of his being *bewitched* for *eight* or *nine* Years, which he had omitted; and ſhe was very particular as to the Circumſtances thereof, and to that heroick Inſtance of her Virtue, in not getting a Divorce from him, as adviſed by her Relations. ---- He was then queſtioned as to that Point, and his Replies were ſuch as tallied exactly, with what *Bertrande* had ſaid; he repeated all that had been done to free them from that Enchantment, and never once faltred in the ſlighteſt Circumſtance. He was next confronted with the *Woman* he called his *Wife*, and with all the *Witneſſes*; upon which he renewed his Demand, that ſhe might be kept ſafely and apart from his Enemies, which was granted. He offered certain Objections to the Credit of the Witneſſes produced againſt him, and required that a *Monitory* ſhould be publiſhed, exhorting all Perſons to come in and give what Light they could as to the *Subornation* of *Bertrande de Rols*, and the Characters of the *Witneſſes* he had impeached. This was allowed him. But at the ſame Time it was directed, that an *Inquiſition* ſhould be taken at the ſeveral *Places* following, *viz.* at *Pin*, at *Sagias*, and at *Artigues*, of all the Facts which might concern *Martin Guerre*, the *Accuſed*, and *Bertrande de Rols*, and the *Reputation* of the *Witneſſes*. All the Diſcoveries upon theſe Proceedings were perfectly favourable to *Bertrande*, confirmed her virtuous Character, and proved that ſhe had not *loſt* her *Senſes* during the Abſence of her Husband, as the Pleading ſuggeſted.

In reſpect to the *Accuſed*, of near 150 Witneſſes that were examined, between 30 and 40 depoſed that he was really *Martin Guerre*; that they had known him, and converſed with him from his Infancy; that they were perfectly acquainted with his Perſon, Air, and Tone of Voice; and that they moreover were convinced of the Truth of what they affirmed, by certain Scars and ſecret Marks, which it was impoſſible for Time to efface.

On the other hand, a greater Number of *Witneſſes* depoſed poſitively, that he was one *Arnold du Tilh*, of *Sagias*, and was commonly called *Pantette*, and that they were perfectly acquainted with his Perſon, Air and Voice. The reſt of the *Witneſſes*, to the Number of *Sixty* and upwards, declared that there was ſo ſtrong a Reſemblance between theſe *two Perſons*, that it was impoſſible for them to declare poſitively, whether the *Accuſed* was *Martin Guerre*, or *Arnold du Tilh*.

The *Criminal Judge* of *Rieux* ordered *two* Enquiries, and *Reports* to be made to him; *one* with Regard to the Likeneſs or Unlikeneſs of *Sanxi Guerre* to the *Accuſed*; the *other* as to the Likeneſs of the ſame Child to the *Siſters* of *Martin Guerre*. On the *firſt*, it was found that *Sanxi* did not reſemble the *Accuſed* at all, and on the *ſecond*, that he was very like his Father's *Siſters*. In ſhort, upon theſe Circumſtances, this *Judge* thought proper to pronounce definitive Sentence, as follows:

That (the Accuſed) Arnold du Tilh *is guilty, and convicted of being an Impoſtor; and for that Crime is condemned to loſe his Head, and further, that his Body be afterwards divided into four Quarters.*

This *Judgment* was by many accounted too quick, and too ſevere; for, without arrogating to himſelf divine Inſpiration, People were at a Loſs to know on what Grounds the *Judge* of *Rieux* founded his Deciſion, Matters appearing to other Eyes ſo perplexed, that thoſe who were well acquainted with the Proofs on both Sides, knew not what to make of the Matter. The Publick, therefore, was far from being diſpleaſed, that the Convict appealed to the *Parliament* of *Thoulouſe*; and this extraordinary Cauſe now making a great Noiſe, every one began to regard it with the utmoſt Attention.

That *Auguſt Aſſembly*, having proper Information of what had been done below, began to take all neceſſary Meaſures for a further Enquiry, with the utmoſt Caution. In the firſt Place they ordered *Peter Guerre* and *Bertrande de Rols* to be *confronted*, in open Court, with the Perſon whom they *accuſed*; but ſingly one after the other. In theſe *Confrontations*, the *Accuſed* maintained ſo ſteady a Countenance, ſpoke with ſuch an Air of Aſſurance and Truth, and anſwered every Queſtion with ſuch Quickneſs and Perſpicuity, that the Members of that Venerable *Tribunal* readily concluded that he was the true *Martin Guerre*: While, on the other Hand, the Terror and Confuſion of *Peter Guerre* and *Bertrande de Rols* was ſo great, that they created ſtrong Suſpicions of their being perjured and falſe Accuſers. But as theſe Circumſtances could not be conſidered as full Evidence, an *Inquiſition* was ordered as to the principal Facts in Diſpute, with this Limitation, that none but new Witneſſes ſhould be examined.

This wiſe and prudent *Ordinance* of the *Parliament* of *Thoulouſe*, was ſo far from procuring any new Lights, that it ſerved only to render this intricate Affair ſtill more obſcure than it was before. *Thirty* new Witneſſes were examined; *nine* or *ten* of theſe were poſitive that the *Accuſed* was *Martin Guerre*; *ſeven* or *eight* were as poſitive that he was *Arnold du Tilh*. The reſt having weighed all Circumſtances, and being afraid of injuring their Conſciences, declared plainly, that they could not ſwear which he was. The *Parliament* were now more in Doubt than ever, they could not concur with the *Criminal Judge* of *Rieux*, and yet they were afraid of diſcharging the *Accuſed*; but in order to put an End to ſo odd a Cauſe, they ſummed up the *Proofs* on both Sides.

On one Hand it appeared that 45 Witneſſes had affirmed, in Terms the moſt expreſs, that he was not *Martin Guerre*, but *Arnold du Tilh*, which they ſaid they were the better enabled to do, becauſe they had known both Perſons intimately, eat and drank with them, and converſed conſtantly with them from their very Childhood; nay, ſome of them went ſtill farther: For *Carbon Barreau*, Uncle by the Mother's Side of *Arnold du Tilh*, acknowledged that he was his Nephew, and obſerving the Irons that were upon his Legs, bitterly lamented his Misfortune in having a Relation in ſuch Circumſtances; he farther ſaid, that he had at Times been concerned in ſeveral Contracts with his Nephew, and he actually produced thoſe Writings ſigned by *Arnold du Tilh*. Moſt of theſe Witneſſes agreed that *Martin Guerre*, was taller, and of a darker Complexion, that he was ſlender in his Body, and Legs, ſtooping in the Shoulders, his Chin forked and turning up, his lower Lip hanging, his Noſe large and flat, the Mark of an Ulcer in his Face, and a Scar in his right Eye-brow; whereas *Arnold du Tilh* was a ſquat well-ſet Man, having thick Legs, did not ſtoop, neither had he a flat Noſe, but in his Face indeed he had the ſame Marks with *Martin Guerre*.

[*To be continued.*]

WILLIAMSBURG, Novem. 30.

On the 12th Day of the next Month, a FAIR will be held in this City, for the Buying and Selling of Horſes, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, &c. and all ſorts of Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes. And it is aſſur'd, That good Encouragement will be given to Perſons who ſhall bring ſuch Things to the ſaid Fair, for Sale.

There will be ſeveral PRIZES, of conſiderable Value, given by the Inhabitants of the ſaid City, to be contended for, by Horſe and Foot Racing, and ſeveral other ſorts of Diverſions; the Particulars of which will be in our next.

We have no Ships yet arriv'd from England; nor any News by the Northern Poſt. Two or Three Bermuda Veſſels are arriv'd in James River; and a Schooner in York River, with Rum, Sugar, Melaſſes, &c.

Salt is very much wanted here. We

We hear from *Norfolk*, That Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Sen'. died there last Week, in an advanc'd Age, and immensly rich.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

November 30, 1759.

RAN away from the Hon. John Carter, *Esq*; of Shirly, *in* Charles City *County*, *on the Nineteenth Instant, a Servant Man, named* Charles Pickford: *He is an* Englishman *born, about* 25 *Years of Age, of a fair Complexion, a middle Stature, but square and well-set, and is a Bricklayer by Trade. He had on, when he went away, a handsome Drugget Coat, Wastecoat, and Breeches, of a Lead Colour, and a Scarlet Vest trimm'd with Plate Buttons, wears a very good light brown Wigg, has a large Pair of plain Silver Buckles, and his Head is inclin'd to be bald. He was mounted on a white Horse, branded on the near Buttock thus* C. *Whoever apprehends the said Servant, and brings him to his abovesaid Master, shall be handsomely rewarded, besides what the Law allows.*

A Good Kitchen Gardener, that wants Employment in that Business, and who can be well recommended, will meet with good Encouragement, if he applies to the Hon. William Dandridge, *Esq*; *at his House in* King William *County*.

STolen or Stray'd from Shirly, *in* Charles City, *about the Beginning of* September *last, a well grown, large, Three Year old, black Colt, near* 14 *Hands and a Half high, a large Star in his Forehead, branded with the Letters* IC *on the near Buttock, short dock'd, his Tail rather ragged than switch, and one of his hind Feet white; he is suppos'd to be gone to some Part of* Pamunkey, *in his Way to* Rappahanock. *Whoever brings the said Colt to me at* Shirly *aforesaid, shall have a Pistole Reward; but if stolen, any Person discovering the Thief, so that he may be brought to Justice, shall have Five Pistoles Reward, paid by* John Carter.

STray'd away from the Subscriber, in Williamsburg, *about the Middle of* June *last, a small Bay Horse, belonging to Major* Bowler Cocke, *of* Henrico *County: He is branded on the near Buttock* ⊞, *has a switch Tail, and paces well. Whoever brings the said Horse to me in* Williamsburg, *shall have Ten Shillings Reward.*
Henry Wetherburn.

November 12, 1759.

STolen or Stray'd from the Subscriber, in Williamsburg, *on the Fifth of this Instant, two large bay Geldings: The one a Bright Bay, branded on the near Buttock thus* 8, *and paces very well a right* New-York *Pace: The other is a large Dark Bay; his Mane has been trimmed to a roach Mane, but is now grown pretty long, so that it begins to hang down; he is branded on the near Buttock* I S. *Whoever will bring the said Horses to the Subscriber, shall have Half a Pistole Reward for each, paid by* John Mundell.

November 9, 1759.

ON Saturday *last was committed to* James City *County Goal, a Man, of a middle Age, about* 5 *Feet* 8 *Inches high, of a Sandy Complexion; has the Scar of a large Cut on one of his Heels, and another on his Hand; he is mark'd with Gunpowder on both his Hands with* 4 *Dots, and a Cross in the Middle; he is pitted with the Small-Pox, and goes by the Name of* Francis Murphey, *alias* Charles Roberts *He has no Pass, nor Certificate of his Freedom, and gives but a slender Account of himself; and is therefore committed to the said Prison as a Runaway. Of which this Public Notice is given, that if he is a Servant, his Master may know where to find him; or if otherwise, that he may be discharg'd, according to Law.*

RAN away on the 30th *of* September *last, from the Subscriber, living in* Hanover *County, Two Negros, viz. A Negro Man, nam'd* Roger, *born at* Angola, *a pretty tall, well-set Fellow, about* 30 *Years old: He had on, when he went away, a new Oznabrig Shirt, and an old Cotton Wastecoat, a Pair of* Virginia *Cloth Breeches, strip'd Black and White, and a Pair of Country made Shoes. The other, a thick, squat Woman, named* Moll, *about* 18 *Years old,* Virginia *born; is Wife to the above-nam'd* Roger, *and is very big with Child. She had on, an old Oznabrig Shift, and an old Cotton Wastecoat and Petticoat. They both speak tolerable good* English. *Whoever will bring the said Negroes to me, at my House, in* Hanover *County, shall have a Pistole Reward for each of them, besides what the Law allows.*
John Shelton.

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